

**Response to Rule 312
Communication**

Application No.
08/897,351

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Examiner
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☐ The petition filed on _____ under 37 CFR 1.312(b) is granted. The paper has been forwarded to the examiner for consideration on the merits.

☒ The amendment filed on May 4, 1999 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

☐ entered.

☒ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention (Order 3311).

☐ disapproved. See explanation below.

☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

The amendment and inventors' oath/declaration have been entered. The amendment to claim 2 changing "increasing" to --improving-- was originally intended for but inadvertently omitted from the Examiner's Amendment (paper 16, mailed March 31, 1999).

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